

BEFORE THE ARIZONA POWER PLANT AND TRANSMISSION LINE SITING COMMITTEE

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3 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF AGUA **Arizona Corporation Commission** CALIENTE SOLAR, LLC, IN CONFORMANCE WITH 4 THE REQUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA REVISED Docket No. L-00000JJ-09-0279-00145 Case No. 145 STATUTES 40-360.03 AND 40-360.06, FOR A 5 CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION OF THE AGUA CALIENTE SOLAR PROJECT, A 280 Arizona Corporation Commission MW PARABOLIC TROUGH CONCENTRATING 7 DOCKETED SOLAR THERMAL, OR A 425 MW PHOTOVOLTAIC SOLAR, GENERATING FACILITY AND JUN - 5 2009 ASSOCIATED TRANSMISSION LINE INTERCONNECTING THE GENERATING FACILITY 9 TO THE ADJACENT PALO VERDE DOCKETED BY - NORTH GILA #1 500KV TRANSMISSION LINE IN YUMA COUNTY APPROXIMATELY 10 MILES NORTH OF DATELAND, ARIZONA. 11 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY, IN Docket No. L-00000D-09-0280-00146 12 CONFORMANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES 40-360.03 AND 40-Case No. 146 13 360.06, FOR A CERTIFICATE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION OF THE APS Q43 500KV TRANSMISSION LINE AND SWITCHYARD INTERCONNECTION PROJECT AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES INTERCONNECTING TO 15 THE PALO VERDE - NORTH GILA #1 AND FUTURE PALO VERDE - NORTH GILA #2 500KV 16 TRANSMISSION LINES APPROXIMATELY 10 MILES NORTH OF DATELAND, ARIZONA 17 (SECTION 34, T5S, R12W, G&SRB&M, YUMA COUNTY, ARIZONA) 18

NOTICE OF HEARING

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD before the Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee (the "Committee") regarding the Applications of Agua Caliente Solar, LLC, and Arizona Public Service Company, respectively, (collectively, "Applicants") for Certificates of Environmental Compatibility authorizing! (1) the Agua Caliente Solar Project solar generating facility and associated gen-tie transmission line; and (2) the APS Q43 500kV Transmission Line and Switchyard Interconnection Project (collectively, the "Projects".)

The hearing will be held at the Dateland Elementary School, located at 1300 South Avenue 64E, Dateland, Yuma County, Arizona, 85333, (just North of the Dateland Exit off Interstate 8) telephone number: (928) 454-2242. The hearing will begin on Tuesday, July 21, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. and, if necessary, continue on Wednesday, July 22, 2009, at 9:30 a.m., and, Thursday July 23, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. The hearing will adjourn at approximately 5:00 p.m. on each day. Additional hearings, if necessary, will be noticed on the Projects and Arizona Corporation Commission's ("ACC") websites.

The website for the Agua Caliente Solar Project is: http://aguacalientesolarproject.com

6 The ACC website is: www.azcc.gov/AZ Power Plant/LineSiting-Calendar.asp.

PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE TAKEN AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH HEARING DAY. PUBLIC COMMENT WILL ALSO BE TAKEN IN A SPECIAL EVENING SESSION ON TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2009, BEGINNING AT 6:00 P.M., AT THE DATELAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, LOCATED AT 1300 SOUTH AVENUE 64E, DATELAND, ARIZONA 85333.

The Committee may, at its discretion, conduct a tour of the Projects' sites. If so, the tour will depart from the Dateland Elementary School parking lot at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 22, 2009. A map and itinerary for the proposed tour will be available at the hearing and at the Dateland Elementary School parking lot at the time of commencement of the tour, if conducted. Members of the public may follow the Committee on the tour in their own private vehicles. During the tour the Committee may hear brief testimony at stops on the tour from one or more witnesses concerning where the stops are located, what is visible at the stops and the relevance of the location and view to the facilities in the Applications. No other discussion or deliberation concerning the Applications will occur during the tour. A court reporter or recording device will record any testimony taken on the tour for transcription.

The Committee may, at its discretion, recess the hearing to a time and place to be announced during the hearing, or to be determined after the recess. The date, time and place at which the hearing will be resumed will be posted on the ACC and Projects' websites. NOTE: NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING WILL BE GIVEN; HOWEVER, PUBLISHED NOTICE OF SUCH RESUMED HEARING IS NOT REQUIRED.

The Projects' sites are located approximately 10 miles north and 3 miles east of Dateland, Arizona, on the north side of Palomas Road, on approximately the southern-most 2,400 acres of the larger existing agricultural property locally known as the "Whitewing Ranch", and will comprise essentially the South half of Section 16, and all or portions of Sections 21, 22, 28, 27 and Section 34, T5S, R12W, G&SRB&M, Yuma County, Arizona. The APS Q43 500kV Transmission Line and Switchyard Interconnection Project will be located in Section 34.

The Agua Caliente Solar Project consists of a solar generating facility with associated gen-tie transmission line interconnecting with the proposed APS Q43 500kV Switchyard. The solar generating facility will utilize either parabolic trough concentrating solar thermal technology

("CSP") or photovoltaic solar technology ("PV"). The facility will have a design maximum peak capacity of approximately 280MW if CSP is used, or approximately 425MW if PV is used.

The APS O43 500kV Transmission Line and Switchyard Interconnection Project will consist of 3 a series of short 500 kV transmission lines and a new regional switchyard that will initially connect the Agua Caliente Solar Project to the adjacent existing Palo Verde - North Gila #1 500kV transmission line(ACC Decision #52428), but will be designed to also accommodate the future interconnection of the planned Palo Verde - North Gila #2 500kV transmission line (ACC 5 Decision #70127), a future 500kV/69kV substation, and other related transmission facilities.

Maps of the Projects' sites and detailed information about Project facilities and technology are contained in the Applications, which are available for inspection at the following locations:

- Docket Control Center of the ACC Phoenix Office at 1200 West Washington Street, Suite 108, Phoenix, AZ 85007
- Dateland Elementary School Library, 1300 South Avenue 64E, Dateland, AZ 85333
- Yuma County Main Public Library, 2951 S. 21st Drive, Yuma, AZ 85364

Each county and municipal government and state agency interested in the proposed Projects and desiring to be a party to the proceedings shall, not less than ten days before the date set for hearing, file with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007 a notice of intent to be a party.

Any domestic non-profit corporation or association formed in whole or in part to promote conservation of natural beauty, to protect the environment, personal health or other biological values, to preserve historical sites, to promote consumer interests, to represent commercial and industrial groups, or to promote the orderly development of the area in which the Projects are to be located and desiring to become a party to the proceedings shall, not less than ten days before the date set for hearing, file with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007 a notice of intent to be a party.

The Committee or its Chairman, at any time deemed appropriate, may make other persons parties to the proceeding.

Any person may make a limited appearance at a hearing by filing a statement in writing with the Director of Utilities, Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, not less than five days before the date set for hearing. A person making a limited appearance shall not be a party or have the right to present testimony or cross-examine witnesses.

This proceeding is governed by Arizona Revised Statutes Sections 40-360 to 40-360.13 and Arizona Administrative Code R14-3-201 to R14-3-220. No substantive communication not in the public record may be made to any member of the Committee. The written decision of the Committee will be submitted to the Arizona Corporation Commission pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes Section 40-360.07. Any person intending to be a party to the proceedings on

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these matters before the Arizona Corporation Commission must be a party to the proceedings before the Committee.

ORDERED this 5th day of June, 2009.

John Foreman, Chairman Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting

Assistant Attorney General